

Weekly Research Report: Grants Office, County of San Bernardino July 15, 2011

AGRICULTURE

Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) Program Phase I

The purpose of the SBIR program is to provide an opportunity for US-owned, for-profit small business firms to submit innovative, applied, research and development projects that address important problems facing American agriculture and have the potential to lead to significant public benefit if the research is successful. Research proposals are accepted in any of the following topic areas: 1) Forests and Related Resources; 2) Plant Production and Protection - Biology; 3) Animal Production and Protection; 4) Air, Water, and Soils; 5) Food Science and Nutrition; 6) Rural Development; 7) Aquaculture; 8) Biofuels and Biobased Products; 9) Marketing and Trade; 10) Animal Manure Management; 11) Small and Mid-Size Farms; and 12) Plant Production and Protection - Engineering. The SBIR program exists in three phases. The purpose of Phase I is to prove the scientific or technical feasibility of the proposed research and development effort. Phase I projects typically are for 8 months.

Deadline: September 1, 2011 Maximum Grant: \$100,000

Grant Link: http://www.nifa.usda.gov/funding/rfas/sbir_rfa.html

The Fruit Tree Planting Foundation

The Fruit Tree Planting Foundation (FTPF) is an award-winning international nonprofit charity dedicated to planting fruitful trees and plants to alleviate world hunger, combat global warming, strengthen communities, and improve the surrounding air, soil, and water. FTPF programs strategically donate orchards where the harvest will best serve communities for generations, at places such as community gardens, public schools, city/state parks, low-income neighborhoods, Native American reservations, international hunger relief sites, and animal sanctuaries. Orchard donations are available for recipients who pledge to care for their trees and utilize them for a charitable purpose. If selected for an orchard donation, FTPF provides high-quality fruit trees and shrubs, equipment, on-site orchard design expertise and oversight, horticultural workshops, and aftercare training and manuals.

Deadline: Open

Grant Link: http://www.ftpf.org/apply.htm

ARTS AND CULTURE

Jack Kent Cooke Foundation: Widening the Stage for Musically Talented Youth

The "Widening the Stage" grant initiative aims to expand access to advanced music instruction for talented young musicians, ages 8-18, from low-income backgrounds. Free or low-cost rigorous training through community music schools, conservatory/college preparatory programs, and summer programs will allow low-income, musically talented youth to reach their full music potential. The Foundation seeks proposals for this pilot program from year-round nonprofit community music schools and conservatory/college preparatory programs for grants of up to \$250,000 per year renewable for up to three years to expand or initiate work with low-income talented musicians ages 8-18. Providers of summer music programs are eligible to apply for grants of up to \$150,000 per year renewable for up to three years. The Foundation will award grants in December 2011. Proposals are being solicited by invitation only. If your organization provides advanced music education to low-income students, but has not been contacted by the Foundation, please send a letter of inquiry to the address below expressing your interest in and capacity for meeting the goals of this grant by July 29, 2011.

Deadline: July 29, 2011

Grant Link: http://www.jkcf.org/grants/requests-for-proposals-rfp/grant-opportunity-widening-the-stage-for-musically-talented-youth

Florence Tyson Fund for Creative Arts Therapies

The mission of the Fund is: (1) To support therapists and clinical programs that provide creative arts therapies-music, dance, drama, art and poetry therapy, to people in the community who suffer from, or are at risk for psychiatric problems, such as depression, anxiety, or severe mental illnesses. (2) To inform health care professionals, social workers, teachers, and others about the benefits of community-based creative arts therapies for their clients. (3) To promote the utilization of these therapies in community settings. (4) To encourage and support research on the clinical efficacy of creative arts therapies in the treatment of depression, anxiety, and related psychiatric problems in community settings.

Deadline: August 1, 2011 Maximum Grant: \$10,000

Grant Link: http://www.tysonfund.org/grant.html

James Irvine Foundation Creative Connection Fund

The Irvine Foundation's Creative Connections Fund is designed to support the expansion of diverse, relevant arts and cultural offerings in local communities across California. The program awards grants for projects in the categories of artistic creativity, to encourage the creation of new work in communities across California; and cultural participation, to encourage community-based arts organizations to broaden, deepen, and diversify participation in their programs. Projects in the artistic creativity category will create new work or offer a contemporary reinterpretation of classic work, and involve individual artists in collaboration with a local nonprofit organization.

Deadline: August 8, 2011 Maximum Grant: \$50,000

Grant Link: http://irvine.org/grantmaking/our-programs/arts-program/current-arts-strategy/creativeconnectionsfund

Sundance/Sloan Commissioning Grant and Fellowship Program for Science and Technology Film Projects

To support the development of screenplays with science or technology themes, the Sundance Institute and the Alfred P. Sloan Foundation annually provide opportunities for both emerging and established filmmakers through a commissioning grant and fellowship. The program is designed to further the development of film projects focused on stories grounded in current (or past) science and technology. The program does not support science fiction projects. (Stories taking place in the future or involving science that is clearly not yet achievable would be considered science fiction.)

Deadline: September 9, 2011

Grant Link: http://www.sundance.org/programs/sloan-grant/

CAPACITY BUILDING

Non-Profit Capacity Building Program

This Notice of Federal Funds Availability announces the availability of funding for the Nonprofit Capacity Building Program (NCBP), authorized by the Edward M. Kennedy Serve America Act of 2009. The NCBP is administered by the Corporation for National and Community Service (the Corporation), whose mission is to improve lives, strengthen communities, and foster civic engagement through service and volunteering. As the nation's largest grant maker for service and volunteering, the Corporation builds the capacity of America's nonprofit sector by expanding the reach and impact of volunteers to address pressing social problems.

Deadline: August 9, 2011 Maximum Grant: \$998,000

Grant Link: http://www.nationalservice.gov/for_organizations/funding/nofa_detail.asp?tbl_nofa_id=89

CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

Armenian Youth Foundation

The Armenian Youth Foundation is available to support organizations that enhance the lives of our youth. With the help of generous contributors, we are able to fund national and local projects that positively impact our community. We are proud sponsors of cultural activities, Armenian education, and athletic and camping programs that instill cultural appreciation and knowledge in our youth. We encourage all qualified organizations to submit grant requests.

Deadline: July 31, 2011

Grant Link: http://armenianyouthfoundation.org/grant.html

Dorothea Haus Ross Foundation

The Ross Foundation provides direct aid and assistance to vulnerable children, including those who are ill, orphaned, disabled, injured, disfigured, abused and malnourished or have limited access to education. They are looking for small grassroots projects that can be fully funded or nearly fully fund with the small grants that they make. The foundation encourages potential applicants to submit a letter of inquiry prior to submitting a complete grant proposal.

Deadline: December 31, 2011 Maximum Grant: \$15,000

Grant Link: http://www.dhrossfoundation.org/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=11:guidelines&catid=1

COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Sociological Initiatives Foundation Support for Research to Further Social Change

The Sociological Initiatives Foundation was established to support research that furthers social change, including language learning and behavior and its intersection with social and policy questions. The foundation specifically supports research in the U.S. and it territories that focuses on social policy objectives; institutional and educational practices; legislative and regulatory changes; linguistic issues (e.g., literacy, language loss and maintenance, language policy, language and national security, bilingualism, language and gender, language and law, language disabilities, language and health, language and education, different language cultures); and development of

community capacity and organization of previously unorganized groups. The foundation supports projects that address institutional rather than individual or behavioral change. It seeks to fund research and initiatives that provide insight into sociological and linguistic issues that may be useful to specific groups and or communities.

Deadline: August 15, 2011 (Concept Application)

Maximum Grant: \$20,000

Grant Link: http://www.sifoundation.org/?page_id=2

Limited English Proficiency Initiative (LEPI) Program

The purpose of the LEPI NOFA is to help ensure limited English proficient (LEP) communities have access to information in their native languages on HUD programs, services, and activities. In coordination with local HUD grantees, successful applicants will develop and conduct, workshops, training sessions, and/or disseminate LEP material to the targeted LEP communities.

Deadline: August 15, 2011 Maximum Grant: \$100,000

Grant Link:

http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=HhbDTcyJFz15dTJzZgWpcCs8726Nh66KpKTkpbdYvydbxkwJz7 Vr!1170416000?oppId=104473&mode=VIEW

DOC Economic Development Administration Public Works, Economic Adjustment, and Global Climate Change Mitigation Programs Opportunity

EDA's Economic Development Assistance Programs are designed to provide distressed communities and regions with comprehensive and flexible solutions to a wide variety of economic impacts. The programs are designed to support local and regional economic development efforts to establish a foundation for durable regional economies throughout the United States. This foundation builds upon two key economic drivers—innovation and regional collaboration. Innovation is the key to global competitiveness, the creation of new and better jobs, a resilient economy, and the attainment of national economic goals. Regional collaboration is essential for economic recovery because regions are the centers of competition in the new global economy, and those regions that work together will fare better than those that do not. Under this announcement, EDA publishes its application submission requirements and review procedures for three of the Economic Development Assistance Programs authorized under PWEDA: (i) the Public Works and Economic Development Facilities Program; (ii) the Economic Adjustment Assistance Program; and (iii) the GCCMIF Program.

Deadline: September 15, 2011

Grant Link: http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do?mode=VIEW&oppld=58457

Digital Humanities Start-Up Grants

The National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) invites applications to the Digital Humanities Start-Up Grants program. This program is designed to encourage innovations in the digital humanities. By awarding relatively small grants to support the planning stages, NEH aims to encourage the development of innovative projects that promise to benefit the humanities. Proposals should be for the planning or initial stages of digital initiatives in any area of the humanities. Digital Humanities Start-Up Grants may involve: 1) research that brings new approaches or documents best practices in the study of the digital humanities; 2) planning and developing prototypes of new digital tools for preserving, analyzing, and making accessible digital resources, including libraries' and museums' digital assets; 3) scholarship or studies that examine the philosophical or practical implications and impact of the use of emerging technologies in specific fields or disciplines of the humanities, or in interdisciplinary collaborations involving several fields or disciplines; 4) innovative uses of technology for public programming and education utilizing both traditional and new media; and 5) new digital modes of publication that facilitate the dissemination of humanities scholarship in advanced academic as well as informal or formal educational settings at all academic levels.

Deadline: September 27, 2011 Maximum Grant: \$50,000

Grant Link: http://www.neh.gov/grants/guidelines/digitalhumanitiesstartup.html

EDUCATION

Office of Innovation and Improvement: Arts in Education National Program

The Arts in Education National Program supports national level high-quality arts education projects and programs for children and youth, with special emphasis on serving students from low-income families and students with disabilities. High-quality projects that are designed to develop and implement, or expand, initiatives in arts education and arts integration on a national level for pre-kindergarten-through-grade-12 children and youth, with special emphasis on serving students from low-income families and students with disabilities.

Deadline: August 15, 2011 Maximum Grant: \$6,654,000

Grant Link: http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2011-07-14/pdf/2011-17756.pdf

National Center for Family Literacy Wonderopolis Mini-Grant

The National Center for Family Literacy and Better World Books is accepting applications for mini-grants to promote creative ideas for using Wonderopolis.org® with families. These \$500 mini-grants will be awarded to 20 community-based organizations, libraries or schools with creative ideas for adopting and using Wonderopolis with the families in their existing programs. Wonderopolis.org was created by NCFL in 2010 to provide free, family-friendly content that is practical, easy to use and designed to engage children's natural curiosity and transform it into a lifelong love of learning.

Deadline: August 19, 2011 Maximum Grant: \$500

Grant Link: http://wonderopolis.org/minigrants/

National Endowment for the Humanities - Enduring Questions: Pilot Course Grants

The NEH Enduring Questions grant program supports the development of a new course that will foster intellectual community through the study of an enduring question. This course will encourage undergraduates and teachers to grapple with a fundamental question addressed by the humanities, and to join together in a deep and sustained program of reading in order to encounter influential thinkers over the centuries and into the present day.

Deadline: September 15, 2011 Maximum Grant: \$25,000

Grant Link: http://www.neh.gov/grants/guidelines/EnduringQuestions.html

Institutional Research and Academic Career Development Awards

The purpose of the Institutional Research and Academic Career Development Award (IRACDA) Program is to develop a diverse group of highly trained biomedical and behavioral scientists who are available to work on NIH-funded research and to address the Nations biomedical, behavioral, and clinical research needs. The program promotes consortia between research-intensive institutions (RII) and partner institutions that have a historical mission and a demonstrated commitment to the training, encouragement and assistance to students from groups underrepresented in the biomedical and behavioral research enterprise of the nation. The IRACDA program provides support for a traditional mentored postdoctoral research experience at an RII combined with an opportunity to develop the academic skills, including teaching, through workshops and through mentored teaching assignments of postdoctoral fellows at a partner institution. The primary goals of the IRACDA program are to (1) develop a diverse group of highly trained biomedical and behavioral scientists who have the necessary knowledge and skills to pursue research and teaching careers in academia; and (2) strengthen the overall teaching and research opportunities at partner institutions, with the expectation that it would further foster the development of the next generation of a diverse pool of scientists who are available to address the NIHs biomedical, behavioral, and clinical research needs.

Deadline: September 22, 2011

Grant Link: http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-11-255.html

Lowe's Toolbox for Education Grant Program

For more than 60 years, Lowe's has supported the communities we call home. At a time when schools and community groups are struggling to make ends meet, Lowe's Charitable and Educational Foundation recognizes that we must increase our focus on basic, one-time project needs. Again, this year, we challenge ourselves to seek ways to provide the tools that help our educators and parent groups through these challenging times efficiently and with the greatest impact. This grant opportunity is available to any individual public K-12 school or non-profit parent group associated with that public K-12 school. In 2011-2012, basic needs will take priority.

Deadline: October 14, 2011 Maximum Grant: \$5,000

Grant Link: http://www.toolboxforeducation.com/index.html

HEALTH – RELATED

Community Healthcare West Community Health Grant

The annual Catholic Healthcare West Community Grants program is open for applications. The program seeks to improve the health status and quality of life for people who live in areas served by each of the 40 Catholic Healthcare West hospitals in California, Arizona and Nevada. Grants will be awarded to qualified nonprofit organizations to provide health services to such underserved populations as the economically disadvantaged, women and children or mentally or physically disabled people. Final application due by September 16, 2011.

Deadline: July 27, 2011 (LOI) Maximum Grant: \$50,000

Grant Link: http://www.chwhealth.org/Who We Are/Community Health/STGSS045787

Assisting the Integrated Food Safety System's National Food/Feed Training Program

FDA, the United States Department of Agriculture, the Centers for Disease Control, and our State, local, territorial, and tribal regulatory and public health partners are working collaboratively to establish an integrated food safety system. One of the critical elements to this integrated food safety system is to ensure a competent work force doing comparable work at the international, federal, state, local, territorial, and tribal levels. FDA will work with its regulatory partners to develop uniform national standards, including inspection, investigation, and testing protocols; training and certification requirements; program audit criteria; and performance metrics to ensure program objectives are met.

Deadline: July 30, 2011 Maximum Grant: \$1,300,000

Grant Link: http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-FD-11-028.html

Minority AIDS Initiative Retention and Re-Engagement Project

This announcement solicits applications for the Minority AIDS Initiative Retention and Re-Engagement in HIV Care Project. The purpose of the Minority AIDS Initiative Retention and Re-Engagement in HIV Care Project is to enhance access to and quality of HIV clinical care and support services for people with HIV disease who are traditionally underserved. The initiative's goals will be accomplished through the provision of training and technical assistance, which are defined for the purposes of this announcement as the identification of need for and delivery of practical program and technical support to the Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program community.

Deadline: August 11, 2011 Maximum Grant: \$2,500,000

Grant Link:

https://grants.hrsa.gov/webExternal/FundingOppDetails.asp?FundingCycleId=9B0E05AB-40DE-4F4A-8B1D-CC54F1F0A38F&ViewMode=EU&GoBack=&PrintMode=&OnlineAvailabilityFlag=&pageNumber=&version=&NC=&Popup=

Promoting CDC's Cancer Surveillance Data through Workforce Development and Education

The purpose of this program is to assist in the development and implementation of an educational infrastructure geared toward cancer registry professionals that will support continued growth, proficiency and technological advances in the field of cancer data management. This program addresses the "Healthy People 2020" focus area(s) of cancer and public health infrastructure.

Deadline: August 15, 2011 Maximum Grant: \$250,000

Grant Link:

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DoD Peer Reviewed Orthopaedic Clinical Trial Award

The PRORP Clinical Trial Award (CTA) is intended to support the rapid implementation of clinical trials with the potential to have a significant impact on military combat-relevant orthopaedic injuries. The clinical trials may be designed to evaluate promising new products, pharmacologic agents (drugs or biologics), devices, clinical guidance, and/or emerging approaches and technologies. All applications are required to justify the relevance of the proposed project to military and/or veteran populations affected by combat-relevant orthopaedic injury. Collaboration with military researchers and clinicians is encouraged, and studies that include active duty military or Veteran participants as all or a portion of the study population will be given higher priority for funding. Final application due by December 5, 2011.

Deadline: September 7, 2011 (Pre-Application) Grant Link:

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Maternal and Child Health Research Program (MCHR)

The Maternal and Child Health Research Program will award grants to support applied research relating to maternal and child health services, which show promise of substantial contribution to the advancement of the current knowledge pool. Findings of this research should result in health and health services improvements in States and communities. Research proposals should address critical MCH questions such as public health systems and infrastructure, health disparities, quality of care, and promoting the health of MCH populations.

Deadline: September 7, 2011

Grant Link: https://grants.hrsa.gov/webExternal/SFO.asp?ID=7F9EA719-1177-43F0-A0B7-398E00364547

International Tobacco and Health Research and Capacity Building Program

This Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) solicits collaborative research and capacity building projects that address the burden of tobacco use in low-and middle-income countries (LMIC) by (1) pursuing observational, intervention and policy research of LMIC relevance and (2) building capacity in epidemiological and behavioral research, prevention, treatment, communications, implementation, health services and policy research. The level of research and research training specialization in any given project will vary based on the strengths of the particular investigators and institutions and the specific need to build capacity to support locally relevant research on tobacco control interventions. The overall intent of the program is to encourage trans-disciplinary research to the international tobacco epidemic and to reduce the global burden of morbidity and mortality caused by tobacco use. Optional letter of intent due by August 15, 2011.

Deadline: September 15, 2011 Maximum Grant: \$250,000

Grant Link: http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-TW-11-003.html

Translational Research in Pediatric and Obstetric Pharmacology: Research Project Grant (R01)

The purpose of this funding opportunity announcement (FOA) is to support a discrete, specified, circumscribed project to be performed by the named investigator(s) in an area representing his specific interest and competencies. Also, to encourage applications for translational and clinical research as well as clinical trials that will advance our knowledge about the underlying mechanisms of drug action, response, and safety in children at various developmental stages, and/or in pregnant women and the developing fetus. The overall goals of the FOA are to improve the safety and effectiveness of current drugs for pediatric or obstetric patients, and to enhance the development of new drugs or a safer usage of the existing drugs for tailored therapies to meet emerging clinical needs for these special populations.

Deadline: October 4, 2011

Grant Link: http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-11-246.html

Translational Research in Pediatric and Obstetric Pharmacology: Small Grant Program (R03)

The purpose of this funding opportunity announcement (FOA) is to provide research support specifically limited in time and amount for studies in categorical program areas. Small grants provide flexibility for initiating studies which are generally for preliminary short-term projects and are non-renewable. Also, to encourage applications for translational and clinical research as well as clinical trials that will advance our knowledge about the underlying mechanisms of drug action, response, and safety in children at various developmental stages, and/or in pregnant women and the developing fetus. The overall goals of the FOA are to improve the safety and effectiveness of current drugs for pediatric or obstetric patients, and to enhance the development of new drugs or a safer usage of the existing drugs for tailored therapies to meet emerging clinical needs for these special populations.

Deadline: October 4, 2011 Maximum Grant: \$50,000

Grant Link: http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-11-247.html

Translational Research in Pediatric and Obstetric Pharmacology: Exploratory/Developmental Research Grant (R21)

The purpose of this funding opportunity announcement (FOA) is to encourage the development of new research activities in categorical program areas. Also, to encourage applications for translational and clinical research as well as clinical trials that will advance our knowledge about the underlying mechanisms of drug action, response, and safety in children at various developmental stages, and/or in pregnant women and the developing fetus. The overall goals of the FOA are to improve the safety and effectiveness of current drugs for pediatric or obstetric patients, and to enhance the development of new drugs or a safer usage of the existing drugs for tailored therapies to meet emerging clinical needs for these special populations. Support generally is restricted in level of support and in time.

Deadline: October 4, 2011 Maximum Grant: \$275,000

Grant Link: http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-11-248.html

Research to Understand and Inform Interventions that Promote the Research Careers of Students in Biomedical and Behavioral Sciences

This Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) issued by the National Institute of General Medical Sciences (NIGMS), National Institutes of Health (NIH) solicits applications that propose research designed to test assumptions and hypotheses regarding social and behavioral factors with the aim of advising and guiding the design of potential interventions intended to increase interest, motivation and preparedness for careers in biomedical and behavioral research. NIGMS is particularly interested in those interventions that are specifically designed to increase the number of students from underrepresented groups entering careers in these disciplines. The proposed research need not be restricted to underrepresented students. Comparative research that analyzes the experience of all groups in order to place that of underrepresented students in context and to learn whether and how interventions should be tailored to

make more underrepresented students successful in biomedical careers may well be particularly illuminating and is, therefore, encouraged.

Deadline: October 21, 2011 Maximum Grant: \$250,000

Grant Link: http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-GM-12-002.html

Pediatric Scientist Development Program

This funding opportunity announcement (FOA) issued by the Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health and Human Development (NICHD), National Institutes of Health, invites applications for pediatric scientist research career development (K12) programs. The program will be responsible for identifying pediatricians who have completed their clinical training and have promising research potential, and for matching them with established mentors with a strong record of research productivity. The program will develop guidelines for mentoring and career development in order to promote the successful transition of the candidates into independent research careers in academic settings.

Deadline: November 22, 2011 Maximum Grant: \$2,000,000

Grant Link: http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-HD-12-209.html

MULTI-DISCIPLINARY

MGN Family Foundation

The MGN Family Foundation goals are to make grants in the fields of education, health care, medical research, and children's programs, and to help those in the U.S. Military, including their families. It is the intent of the Foundation to award grants based on achievement, excellence, influence, impactful work, or leadership in a specific field of charitable endeavor. Applicants must provide evidence of such leadership, excellence, or impactful work by notating such within the application or attachments at the time of submission. The foundation desires to recognize and reward organizations making a measurable difference in their communities and the lives of its constituents. Institutions and areas of particular interest include: 1) Colleges, universities, and private schools; 2) Hospitals and clinics; 3) Organizations that support children in need whether due to emotional or physical abuse, neglect, or disadvantaged circumstances; 4) Community welfare with a specific focus on U.S. Military personnel and their families.

Deadline: February 15, 2012

Grant Link: https://www.wellsfargo.com/downloads/pdf/privatefoundationgrants/mgn_application.pdf

SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

Social Media in Strategic Communication

DARPA is soliciting innovative research proposals in the area of social media in strategic communication. Proposed research should investigate innovative approaches that enable revolutionary advances in science, devices, or systems. Specifically excluded is research that primarily results in evolutionary improvements to the existing state of practice.

Deadline: August 30, 2011

Grant Link:

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TRANSPORTATION

Over-the-Road Bus Accessibility Program Grants

The U.S. Department of Transportation's (DOT) Federal Transit Administration (FTA) announces the availability of funds in Fiscal Year 2011 for the Over-the-Road Bus (OTRB) Accessibility Program. The OTRB Accessibility Program makes funds available to private operators of over-the-road buses to finance the incremental capital and training costs of complying with DOT's over-the-road bus accessibility regulation. The authorizing legislation calls for national solicitation of applications, with grantees to be selected on a competitive basis. Federal transit funds are available to intercity fixed-route providers and other OTRB providers at up to 90 percent of the project cost. A total of \$8,800,000 is now available for both intercity fixed-route and other providers of services using over-the-road buses.

Deadline: September 12, 2011

Grant Link: http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2011-07-13/html/2011-17651.htm

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